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Well, anyway, Dr. Cook is getting the money.

May we ask: Have you fed your furnace yet?

Mr. Crane has had a little experience in the school of hard Knox.

"It's too early to last long," says the optimist. "Merely a warning to fill the coal bin, eh?"

Although the prohibition party is forty years old, it has never drunk, smoked, chewed or swore.

Although no steps have yet been taken in Houghton to entertain Hon.

Charles E. Townsend when he visits the copper country next week. The News learns that something along this line will soon be done and that Mr. Townsend will be received with real copper country hospitality. The lower Michigan congressman has many admirers throughout this region who are pleased he is coming to Houghton county, for it is realized visits from prominent lower Michigan people help bridge the straits of Mackinac.

James W. Hall, chairman of the committee of one hundred in Massachusetts which has been working for closer trade relations between the United States and Canada is a good republican. In reply to the letter of Eugene Fox, inviting him to join the democratic party, which Fox has done, he said:

"You have recently chosen the democratic party to work with to secure your plans for tariff reform and republican party. I find the only hope at present at least in the republican ranks and shall do all I can for the success of that ticket this fall. The last session of congress adopted the only tariff reform possible at this time and several leading democratic congressmen helped to pass that bill.

"It was not an ideal measure but it was a step in the right direction. I like to be with men moving in the right direction. Complete success is more to be hoped for than. President Taft has promised the country to secure further and ultimately satisfactory tariff reform. Independent of all party considerations, I believe what he says. He is genuinely committed to tariff reform as you or I ever have been or are.

"I cannot imagine what you can expect to secure by allying yourself with the democratic party. Had you started a new party, composed of the best men in both the republican and democratic parties, I could understand your action, although I think this is not the time for it. Should the next republican congress continue the good work for tariff reform, currency reform and other vital measures, there will be no need of another party at the next presidential election."

HUNTERS AND COMMON SENSE.

Within a short time the shooting of deer and hunters will begin in northern Michigan and the annual note of warning, which seldom does any good, is being sounded. Each year the number of hunters has increased until there are usually about three sportsmen to every deer on the favorite hunting grounds. And hunters who have dressed in fur coats or leather jackets have often been mistaken for deer by other hunters, with disastrous results.

Anytime hunters are too prone to pull the trigger as soon as they see a movement of any sort in the underbrush. It is too much to expect that the other hunter, who is more than likely the cause of the disturbance, should wear a cow bell or should continuously blow a tin horn or beat on an old washboard or bass drum as a means of self-protection, for if this system should prevail the upper peninsula of Michigan would be a pandemonium of discordant sounds. With a hunter behind every tree playing a slide trombone to protect himself from the bullets of his fellows the game would be hard to bag and the season would be a failure from the hunter's point of view. Hunters cannot wear armorplate after the fashion of men of war; neither can they rest in steel-covered shooting boxes.

The only preventive for accidents of the sort seems to be in the exercise of common sense. If every hunter looks before he shoots there will be no serious accidents, but so long as they hang away of fur coats and brown cowboy jackets in the fond belief that they are shooting at deer the usual list of injured may be expected.

CONSERVING PUBLIC HEALTH.

The action of the state board of health, declaring certain contagious diseases dangerous and communicable, forbidding anyone suffering with open tuberculosis from teaching in the public schools and forbidding the use of the common drinking cups in schools and on railways will meet with general commendation.

It is evident, of course, that if the board is of any use it must keep in touch with conditions, as affecting the public health, in the various parts of the state. It must know what the health of the state is. Of the nine diseases named dangerous and communicable only one can be open to question; with the relative number of cases of the others existing in the various parts of the state it is evident that the board should be entirely in touch. Not all of them are popularly credited with being serious, but all should be watched.

If there is a serious outbreak of typhoid fever in any community there must be some cause, which usually affects the drinking water, although the disease may be contracted and spread in other ways. And if immediately applied of the condition the board can take action to have the proper investigation made, with a view to abating the menace to the public health. The diseases which physicians are compelled to report to their local health officers and which are in turn reported by those officials to the state board are pneumonia, tuberculosis, typhoid fever, meningitis, diphtheria, whooping cough, scarlet fever, measles and smallpox.

The restriction regarding teachers suffering from open tuberculosis is of course fully justified, as must be generally appreciated. The school system should be as free as possible from all possible sources of contagion and no teacher, especially, who is likely to spread this disease should remain in the school room.

As a source of contagion the menace of the public drinking cup is also recognized. This is used by all classes of people, suffering with all manner of contagious diseases, and is consequently to be avoided. Especially is this

true in the schools and on the railways, although the regulation of the board could profitably have been made more sweeping, instead of simply covering these two classes of public drinking conveniences.

Considerably difficulty has been experienced in providing a satisfactory substitute for the public drinking cup, including sanitary fountains of various kinds. At least one railroad in the state has solved the difficulty by the introduction of individual cups, made of paraffine paper, each cup being thrown away after it has been once used. Either this system or the sanitary fountain could profitably be used in the public schools of the state, while it seems especially promising for railway use.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Annle Russell is said to be ill at her Maine home.

Marion Abbott is to replace Helena Culler Garlick in "The Patriot."

Holbrook Blinn is to appear again this season with Mrs. Fiske in "Salvation Nell."

Paul Nestor is to dramatize "The Billiquers," a novel of vaudeville life by Andre Costaigne.

"The Hot Air King," with John C. Slavin in the leading role, is to be given in Chicago at an early date.

Mary Quive, the sister of Grace Van Studdiford, is playing in one of "The Clowns" companies now on tour.

Marie Dressler has returned to begin rehearsals of a new musical play called "Tillie's Nightmare," to be produced by Lew Fields.

Announcement has been made that Mme. Nadimova will not begin her extensive American tour in "The Passion Flower" until the middle of November.

The title of the new piece in which Andrew Mack is to star under the direction of Lew Fields is "The Prince of Bohemia," which reminds one of "The Prince of Pilsen."

Miss Mary Mannering has recently begun rehearsals of a new play by Miss Rachel Crothers, entitled "Kiddie," in which she will be seen during the coming season in the east.

The play that Clyde Fitch wrote for Miss Zella Sears is entitled "The Kitty and the Canary." The play is to be produced early in the season and the rehearsals and preparations have already begun.

Miss Olga Netherole, announces "Locke of Wall Street," as her contribution to the dramatic literature of reform of the coming season. It deals with the struggle between capital and labor and its said to be strong.

James Bernard Fagan, author of "The Earth," to be produced by Henry B. Harris, with Edmund Breese in the stellar role, has just arrived in New York from London, to superintend the staging and rehearsals of his play.

The Shuberts have engaged Winnie O'Connor, a London actress, to play the title role in "The Bells of Brittany," in support of Frank Daniels, Miss O'Connor has never appeared in America, but is favorably known in England.

Miss Florence Roberts will appear shortly in a new drama by Nate Jordan Verulge. The name of the play is "Mrs. Dalloway." Thelma Burgen will be Miss Roberts' leading man, and Miss Laurette Taylor will have an important part in the play.

George Arliss, who played "The Devil" last season, has returned from Europe, accompanied by his wife. He has been away since May and will play in "Septimus."

As a curtain raiser to her performances of "The Chaperone" this season

President Taft at San Francisco



First picture from San Francisco of President Taft during his welcome to that city. On the right, Governor Gillette of California. Picture shows

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